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## Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary

In the Matter of	) EB Docket No. 07-147
PENDLETON C. WAUGH, CHARLES M. AUSTIN, and JAY R. BISHOP	) File No. EB-06-IH-2112 ) NAL/Acct. No. 200732080025
PREFERRED COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, INC.	) FRN No. 0003769049
Licensee of Various Site-by-Site Licenses in the Specialized Mobile Radio Service.	) ) )
PREFERRED ACQUISITIONS, INC.	) FRN No. 0003786183
Licensee of Various Economic Area Licenses in the 800 MHz Specialized Mobile Radio Service	) ) )

To: The Commission

### ENFORCEMENT BUREAU'S STATEMENT OF CLARIFICATION

- On October 26, 2010, Mr. Toshiaki Saito filed a Memorandum in
   Opposition to Motion to Strike in this proceeding. The Enforcement Bureau hereby files
   the following statement of clarification to the record.
- 2. Mr. Saito filed his pleading in response to a Motion to Strike filed by Mr. Pendleton C. Waugh on August 19, 2010, in reference to an earlier *ex parte* presentation made by Mr. Saito. In his instant pleading, Mr. Saito asserts, among other things, that his "*ex parte* presentation is exempt from prohibitions in restricted proceedings . . . because it was 'made with the advance approval of the Commission or staff for the clarification or adduction of evidence, or for the resolution of issues, including possible settlement." In

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Memorandum in Opposition to Motion to Strike, at 2-3.

support of his proposition, Mr. Saito cites Section 1.1204(a) of the Commission's rules as well as a July 21, 2010 letter from Bureau counsel to Mr. Saito, which he has omitted from the record. He suggests that the Bureau solicited his communications.

- 3. The Bureau wishes to inform the Commission that it in no way solicited Mr. Saito's communications. Mr. Saito's assertions mischaracterize and distort the Bureau's communication, and accordingly, the Bureau is compelled to clarify the record and provide a copy of the letter.<sup>2</sup> The Bureau's letter was simply a courtesy notice to Mr. Saito's counsel regarding proper service of information on the parties to the proceeding, not a solicitation of any material from him.
- 4. On July 6, 2010, Bureau counsel became aware that an apparently confidential letter to the Chairman was noted as received in the Electronic Comment Filing System records for this proceeding. Bureau counsel had not received a copy of this filing from Mr. Saito, and informal telephonic communications with other parties in the proceeding confirmed that the filing had not been properly served on others.
- 5. On July 21, 2010, due to the *ex parte* nature of this proceeding, Bureau counsel sent Mr. Saito a letter requesting that the filing be properly served on all parties to the proceeding pursuant to Commission Rules.<sup>3</sup> The letter contained no solicitation of any communication or information from Mr. Saito.
- 6. On August 24, 2010, having received no further indication that Mr. Saito had properly served his original letter on the parties to this proceeding and to satisfy the Bureau's obligations under Section 1.1212(c) of the Commission's rules, the Bureau notified the Office of General Counsel of the letter filing. Section 1.1212(c) requires

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Letter from Anjali K. Singh, Acting Assistant Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, to Toshiaki Saito, dated July 21, 2010, Attachment A hereto.

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  Id.

Commission personnel who receive written *ex parte* presentation materials to forward them to the Office of General Counsel.

7. The Bureau also notes that Mr. Saito opposes the settlement reached in this proceeding.<sup>4</sup> For reasons noted in the Bureau's previous filings in this proceeding, the Bureau continues to support the settlement.

Respectfully submitted, P. Michele Ellison Chief, Enforcement Bureau

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Opposition, supra note 1, at 9-10.

## ATTACHMENT A



#### FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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July 21, 2010

## <u>VIA CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u> <u>AND BY FACSIMILE (808) 839-0690</u>

Toshiaki Saito 1300 Ala Pili Loop Honolulu, Hawaii 96818-1635

Re: EB Docket No. 07-147

Dear Mr. Saito:

By letter dated May 12, 2010, you requested the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission to take certain actions relating to the above-referenced docketed hearing case. Your correspondence, identified as "confidential," does not appear to have been served on any of the parties in the proceeding. The letter is reflected as having been received in the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System ("ECFS") on June 30, 2010.

This letter is to advise you, as a courtesy, that the above-captioned docketed case is a restricted proceeding under the Commission's ex parte rules. Accordingly, no presentation may be made to decision-making personnel which, if written, is not served on the parties to the proceeding.

Your correspondence to the Chairman appears to constitute a "presentation" under the Commission's ex parte rules requiring that it be served on all parties to the referenced proceeding. Please serve a copy of your correspondence on all parties to the referenced proceeding, including the Chief, Enforcement Bureau, within 10 business days of the date of this letter. The names and addresses of the parties may be found by entering the appropriate docket number ("07-147") in ECFS.<sup>2</sup>

Sincerely,

Anjali K. Singh Acting Assistant Chief Investigations and Hearings Division

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§1.1200 – 1216.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> You may access ECFS at the Commission's website at http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs/comment\_search/input?z=z903t.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Makia Day, an Enforcement Analyst in the Enforcement Bureau's Investigations and Hearings Division, certifies that she has, on this 27th day of October 2010, sent by first class United States mail or electronic mail, as noted, copies of the foregoing

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